

Ellen Henley, 100

Ellen Henley, 100, Aberdeen, and formerly of Claremont, died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1999 at the Bethesda Home, Aberdeen.

Her funeral was Saturday, Sept. 11, 1999 at the Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, officiated by the Rev. Craig Werling. Burial will be in the Groton Union Cemetery, with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel making arrangements.

Ellen Carlson was born in Sweden, August 23, 1899. Prior to her birth, her father Carl Johansson was killed in a horse run-away accident. At the age of seven, she came to the United States with her sister and mother, Amanda Carlson. She grew up in the Claremont area. Ellen was confirmed at Augustana Lutheran Church, Claremont.

She married Howard L. Henley, June 21, 1917 at Claremont. The couple farmed in the Claremont-Putney area following their marriage. She continued to live on the farm following Howard's death in 1976. She moved to Aberdeen, 11 years later, and entered Bethesda Nursing Home, November 1998.

Ellen was a longtime member of Putney Ladies Aid and Royal Neighbors of America. She enjoyed needlework and being a housewife on the farm.

She is survived by one son, Donald (Lavanda) Henley, Aberdeen; one daughter, Mavis (Elmer) Iversen, Rapid City; three grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, two sisters, two brothers, and one daughter.

Casketbearers were Harry Pharis, Larry Pharis, George Alberts, Lee Thompson, Robert Pray Jr. and Gerald Henley.

Organist was Eileen Schuelke and soloist was Diane Schaefer.